Support the War Chest Program

NJ ABC, through an ABC Federation, has initiated a program designed to send monthly checks into those Political Prisoners and Prisoners of War who have been receiving insufficient, little, or no support during their imprisonment. We currently are able to support seven PP/POW's by sending them monthly checks of up to $60. We have been able to maintain this since November '94. There is also an Emergency Fund designed to send one time checks to those PP/POW's in need of emergency assistance. With the guidance from the prisoners, a list of other PP/POW's who are in need of this type of support is being made. Though still small, the "War Chest" program is having an impact. As Sekou Odinga (a POW currently receiving a monthly check) writes, "Thanks much for the support you've been organizing, I really appreciate it. After not having any or very little support for so long, it now seems like (people) have all of a sudden realized that I am alive." We ask that you endorse this program by giving any monthly or one time donations to this effort to increase the number of prisoners being supported monthly. A financial report is published that documents all money received and the prisoners it was sent to. The prisoners addresses are also printed so that endorsers may write and hold us accountable.

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FREEDOM FOR SUNDIATA ACOLI

"His love for Black people is so intense that you can almost touch it and hold it in your hand."

Assata Shakur

SUNDIATA ACOLI

Sundiata is a New Afrikan POW. He is imprisoned for actions carried out in the fight for Black Liberation. In 1968 Sundiata joined the Harlem branch of the Black Panther Party (BPP) and did work around the issues of education, housing, employment, child care, drugs, and police brutality in the oppressed community. In 1969 he was imprisoned with 13 others in what is known as the Panther 21 for charges motivated by community work. Held for 2 years without bail, the Panther 21 was acquitted and Sundiata was released in 1971. Upon being released, sundiata was harassed, provoked, and followed by the FBI until it was impossible to do effective community work. He then joined the Black underground with the Black Liberation Army (BLA). In May 1973 Sundiata, with Zayd Malik Shakur and Assata Shakur were ambushed on the NJ Turnpike by State troopers. Zayd was murdered by the police, assata critically wounded. In the shootout a trooper was killed. Sundiata escaped this incident but was captured shortly after and is now serving a life plus 30 year sentence for the killing of the state trooper.

Sundiata is one of the longest held political prisoners in the United States. He is an extraordinary human being who, despite 2 decades of brutal and dehumanizing treatment at the hands of the U.S. government, remains firmly committed to the liberation of Black people in the United States. Although Sundiata is special, he is at the same time also representative of the many other Black people the United States has imprisoned for fighting for the liberation of their people. Indeed, Sundiata is one of the many Black political prisoners the U.S. has tried to bury inside its prisons; people who fought and continue to fight to transform this country and who have been made to pay a heavy price.

Join in the campaign to ensure Sundiata's freedom. Please write to:

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